

**Amendments to the Specification**

The applicant invokes 37 CFR 1.125, allowing use of a substitute specification, so that the Examiner has a clean copy of the specification for work purposes, since the literal translation lacks headings and paragraph numbering. Per 37 CFR 1.125, No new matter has been added to the substitute specification.

Please amend the translation of the abstract as shown:

**Summary ABSTRACT**

The invention pertains to a reel, which consists of a metal strip with loops, in particular a clip reel for packaging equipment. The reel must have at least three coils with its free end extending into the direction of unwinding. The reel also features a retaining device, which secures a releasable connection between the free end and another metal strip coil or – if available – a spool, thus preventing that the reel unwinds. The invention-based embodiment proposes a shape-mated connection-(Figure 2).